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Attorney Docket No.

1657-J

First Inventor

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Title

COUNTERTOP ASSEMBLY AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURE

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APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

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2. ☒ Applicant claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27.

3. ☒ Specification [Total Pages **21**]
(preferred arrangement set forth below)

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- Cross Reference to Related Applications
- Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
- Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
- Background of the Invention
- Brief Summary of the Invention
- Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
- Detailed Description
- Claim(s)
- Abstract of the Disclosure

4. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets **5**]

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1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).

6. ☒ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

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9. ☒ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement ☒ Power of Attorney
(when there is an assignee)
11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 ☐ Copies of IDS Citations
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106	330	206	165	Design filing fee	
107	510	207	255	Plant filing fee	
108	740	208	370	Reissue filing fee	
114	160	214	80	Provisional filing fee	
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2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

Extra Claims		Fee from below		Fee Paid
Total Claims				
34	-20** =	14	X 9.00 =	126.00
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103	18	203	9	Claims in excess of 20	
102	84	202	42	Independent claims in excess of 3	
104	280	204	140	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid	
109	84	209	42	** Reissue independent claims over original patent	
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116	400	216	200	Extension for reply within second month	
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119	320	219	160	Notice of Appeal	
120	320	220	160	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
121	280	221	140	Request for oral hearing	
138	1,510	138	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
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141	1,280	241	640	Petition to revive - unintentional	
142	1,280	242	640	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
143	460	243	230	Design issue fee	
144	620	244	310	Plant issue fee	
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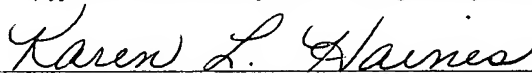
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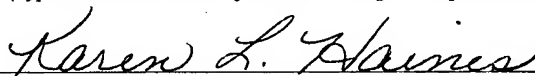
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